

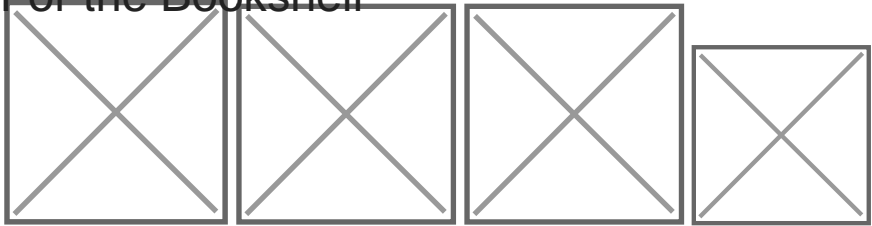
Theme: Saints David and Piran

Unit study on David of Wales, Piran of Cornwall, and the family slava tradition. Feast Days 1st of March and 4th of March.

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Overview

For the Bookshelf



For the Toy Shelves

Outings

Saint David of Wales

Introduction

Watch the two-minute video "[The Story of Saint David](#)" or another slightly longer one, "[The Story of St David](#)".

Activity 1

Once when he was preaching, people couldn't see David and so a small hill rose up underneath him so people could see him. Build a small hill either out of lego and blocks (for a toy to stand on) or out of cushions (for the child to stand on).

Curriculum areas: M08f, M08a, M08b, M08c, E02c

Activity 2

David loved to read and write, and had a tutor called Paulinus. Paulinus went blind and David healed him as a small child. Make and write (or illustrate) a short book about David or another saint.

Curriculum areas: L11a, L11c

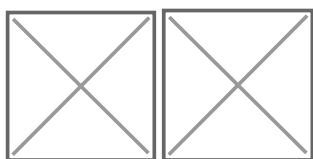
Lunch Snack

Make [welsh cakes](#) or [bara brith](#).



Activity 3

Make daffodils on popsticks. Think of different ways to make the flower: with cardboard and patty-pans, as a pinwheel, et cetera.



Curriculum areas: M06b, M06c

The Family Slava

Introduction

Watch a one-minute video about preparing for a "[Family Patron Saint's Day](#)", or a nine-minute video "[Slava, Celebration of Family Saint Patron's Day](#)".

Activity 1

Look at pictures of different bread (kolac) or koliva (wheat) top decorations, and plan out your own one using symmetry.

Curriculum areas: M05a, M06a

Activity 2

Prepare the slava koliva: boiled wheat with sugar, walnuts, and spices. Smell the different spices: nutmeg, cloves, vanilla. Make a list of living and dead people to pray for; look through photo albums.

E03a

Lunch Snack

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Activity 3

Make or decorate a candle.

Saint Piran of Cornwall

Introduction

Watch the 12-minute video "[The Tale of St Piran](#)".

Activity 1

Saint Piran floated from Ireland to Cornwall on a mill-stone. Collect different shaped rocks to see if they float; then try floating other objects.

Curriculum areas: E06b

Activity 2

Draw and colour in Saint Piran's flag, or make it out of found objects, and see how many different squares/rectangles you can find in it.

Curriculum areas: M06b, M06c, M01b

Lunch Snack

Make pasties.

Activity 3

Prepare an icon of St. Piran for the slava table by decorating a nice frame for it.

Curriculum areas: M06b, M06c,

Activity 4

Make the slava cake or bread and decorate the top to resemble St. Piran's flag.

Bonus

Watch the 25-minute short film about [Saint Piran of Cornwall](#).